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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

INVENTOR: Yutaka NAGAKURA

FOR: AIR-TIGHT VESSEL EQUIPPED WITH GAS FEEDER UNIFORMLY SUPPLYING GASEOUS  
 COMPONENT AROUND PLURAL WAFERS

Enclosed are the following:

- Specification: 14 pages; Claims: 4 pages; Abstract: 1 page
- Declaration and Power of Attorney
- Sheet(s) of drawings 5 pages
- An assignment of the invention to: NEC CORPORATION
- A certified copy of Japanese application No. 2000-089380 filed March 28, 2000
- Information Disclosure Statement

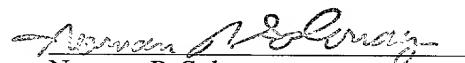
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